



Whip Round Up

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Reid for Nevada

President Signs Western Shoshone Claims Bill

Senator Reid and Congressman Jim Gibbons, who jointly shepherded the Western Shoshone Claims Distribution Act through Congress, applauded its signature into law this week by President Bush. The bill, now law, settles long-standing claims by the Western Shoshone Indian Tribe by distributing \$145 million to more than 6,000 eligible tribal members.

Reid, Ensign Deliver \$4 Million for Clark County Students, Teachers

The Clark County School District (CCSD) will be better able to retain high-quality teachers for at-risk students thanks to a \$1.5 million grant announced by Senators Harry Reid and John Ensign. The Nevada Senators also secured \$2.45 million to reduce class sizes in large public high schools. Smaller classes will allow students to receive more individual attention from their teachers.

Reid, Ensign Aid Boys and Girls Club

Mason Valley Boys and Girls Club will receive \$25,000 for a kitchen facility and food service thanks to a grant delivered by Senators Harry Reid and John Ensign. The new kitchen will enable the club to provide summer meals and after-school snacks for Lyon County children.

Reid Announces Jobs in Minden

Senator Reid announced that GE Bentley Nevada, a subsidiary of the General Electric Corporation located in Minden, recently won an export order that will support jobs at the company.

Working with Nevadans

— Laughlin student Fawn Block met with Senator Reid at his weekly constituent breakfast. Fawn was in Washington for an intensive program designed to inspire young people about public service.

—Senator Reid met with Ann Marie Larquier of Carson City and Alana White of Silver Springs at the National Science Youth Camp luncheon.

—Nevada students Byron Ausmus, Matthew Levin, Ralph Menke and Cassandra Pearson met with Senator Reid while in D.C. for the National Young Leaders Conference.



Reid's Words

The wildfire raging in Carson City is a reminder that we must give our firefighters the resources they need to protect our lives and property. I'll keep working to get the best equipment and training for Nevada firefighters.



Senator Reid meets with Nevada delegates to the 2004 National Youth Science Camp, Ann Marie Larquier of Minden (center) and Alana White of Silver Springs (right). For 41 years the NYSC has honored the top science students from around the nation.

Week in Review

Renewable Energy Tax Credit Goes to Conference - A corporate tax bill is headed for a conference with the House after the Senate added an amendment that will allow a buyout of tobacco farmers while subjecting tobacco products to regulation by the Food and Drug Administration. The underlying bill also includes tax incentives for production of wind, solar and geothermal energy, which Senator Reid has championed.

Progress Seen on Highway Bill - Efforts to reach agreement with the House on a six-year surface transportation bill continued this week. The Senate version of the bill authorizes \$318 billion for roads, public transit and other transportation projects and would create tens of thousands of jobs. Negotiators are expected to continue working next week.

African American Summit - Cordell Stokes of Las Vegas and Lonnie Feemster of Reno joined African American leaders from across the nation for the second annual African American Leadership Summit in Washington this week. The day-long meeting highlighted issues important to the black community and gave the leaders a chance to share their views with Members of Congress, including Senator Reid.

INSIDER'S CALENDAR

- The Senate will convene Monday July 19 at 1 p.m. and begin consideration of the nomination of William Myers to be a Judge for the 9th Circuit, with the time until 5 p.m. equally divided between the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Judiciary Committee.
- No roll call votes will occur on Monday. The Senate will vote on cloture on the nomination on Tuesday at 2:15 p.m.
- During the remainder of the week the Senate may consider the Department of Defense Appropriations conference report and a conference report including a package of tax extensions.

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